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C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 15077

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV BQG
SUBJECT: BERLIN MAYOR STOBBE'S ASSUMPTION OF THE
BUNDESRAT PRESIDENCY

1. AT THE AUGUST 16 BONN GROUP MEETING, THE FRG REP
(VON BRAUNMUEHL) BRIEFED ON AN AUGUST 1 CONVERSATION
BETWEEN OFFICE DIRECTOR LUECKING OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE
AND BAUMGAERTL, NUMBER TWO IN THE GDR'S PERMANENT
REPRESENTATION IN BONN. BAUMGAERTL SAID THERE WOULD
POSSIBLY BE DIFFICULTIES ABOUT MAYOR STOBBE'S ASSUMPTION
OF THE BUNDESRAT PRESIDENCY LATER THIS YEAR.

2. LUECKING OUTLINED THE FRG POSITION, NOTED THAT THE
FRG DID NOT WANT TO PLAY UP THE MATTER AND EXPRESSED
THE HOPE THAT THE GDR WOULD NOT PLAY IT UP EITHER.
BAUMGAERTL INDICATED HE UNDERSTOOD BUT SAID THE GDR
COULD NOT COMPLETELY IGNORE THE QUESTION. HE IMPLIED,
HOWEVER, THAT GDR REACTION MIGHT BE NO MORE THAN VERBAL
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REPRESENTATIONS. AS FAR AS BAUMGAERTL KNEW THE ISSUE
HAD SO FAR BEEN DISCUSSED ONLY IN GENERAL TERMS IN EAST
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